given is that it cannot be removed until it is dead. After it is dead the Forest Department will not remove it until they have collected a sufficiently large number for being taken to the *koti*. The officers of the department may be instructed to promptly comply with such requisitions. If this is not possible permission may be given to the occupant to remove the tree, and take it to the *koti* himself.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 159.

Sandal trees on hiduvali lands.

Messrs. B. Alasingrachar and Dodda Payanna, Hassan Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Khatedars are held responsible for the destruction of sandal trees standing on their *hiduvali* lands. When the *Khatedars* are living elsewhere, it is but right that the responsibility should be fixed on those who are in possession of the said lands. The rules may therefore be modified so as to relieve the khatedars of their responsibility in this matter when they live away from their holdings.

Reply of Government.—The rule which is of very long standing and well understood cannot be altered and it is not enforced so as to be unnecessarily oppressive.

SUBJECT No. 160.

Manufacture of sandal products.

Mr. A. Ramanna, Yedatore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As sandalwood is a special produce peculiar to Mysore and as there are specialists in carving it in the State, an industrial organization under Government supervision may be started to send out to the world not the raw sandal by sale as at present, but sandal in the form of carved and worked-out articles, oils and scents.

Mr. C. Sreenivasa Rao.—If sandalwood oil is locally manufactured, it will lead to much clandestine cutting of trees. Even now in the malnad parts people set fire to the tree at the top and collect the oil that is set free by the heat.

Reply of Government.—Noted. The Economic Conference will be consulted.

SUBJECT No. 161.

Formation of village forests.

Mr. Venkataramiah, Gudibanda sub-taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Government unoccupied waste lands are included in District Forests to the inconvenience of the villagers. It is requested that village forests may be formed and set apart to the several villages, and ryots allowed to take wood, etc., therefrom for *bonâ fide* agricultural purposes.

Reply of Government.—The subject of constituting village forests is under consideration. Localities in which such village forests may be constituted may be separately brought to the notice of Deputy Commissioners.

SUBJECT No. 162.

Alteration in Ryots' Privileges Rules.

Mr. Puttanna Gowda, Tirthahalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The seigniorage payable by the ryots for the trees cut and removed by them is calculated at the rates fixed per cart-load of 20 cubic feet. It is prayed that this rule may be so altered as to levy